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**TITLE:** ELECTROSTATIC CHUCKS AND ELECTROSTATICALLY ATTRACTING STRUCTURES

**1. Type of Application**

This is a request for filing a **CONTINUATION APPLICATION** under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b), of pending prior application:

|             |  |                 |            |
|-------------|--|-----------------|------------|
| Serial No.: | 09/859,738   | Prior Art Unit: | 2836       |
| Filed:      | May 16, 2001   | Prior Examiner: | Zeev Kitov |
| Title:      | ELECTROSTATIC CHUCKS AND ELECTROSTATICALLY ATTRACTING STRUCTURES |                 |            |
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**2. Papers Enclosed**

**A. Required for filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) are:**

|           |                                       |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| <u>11</u> | Page(s) of Specification              |
| <u>4</u>  | Page(s) of Claims                     |
| <u>1</u>  | Page(s) of Abstract                   |
| <u>2</u>  | Sheets of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-3) |

**B. Other Papers Enclosed**

- ☒ A Patent Application Bibliographic Data Sheet
- ☒ A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney from the prior application
- ☐ A Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☒ Form PTO-1449

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**4. Nonpublication Request Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

☐ Applicants hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

☐ Applicants hereby request that the attached application **not** be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

**5. Relate Back****A. 35 U.S.C. 119(e)**

☐ Priority of provisional application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_, is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).

**B. 35 U.S.C. 120, 121 and 365(c)**

☒ Priority of said prior application(s) is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120.

| <u>Application Number</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> | <u>Relationship</u> |
|---------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 09/859,738                | May 16, 2001       | Parent              |

**C. 35 U.S.C. 119 Priority Claim for Prior Application**

☒ Priority of foreign application(s) is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 as follows:

| <u>Country</u> | <u>Application Number</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> |
|----------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Japan          | 2000-147,170              | May 19, 2000       |

☒ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application was filed in prior application Serial No. 09/859,738 on September 17, 2001.

## 6. Assignment

The prior application is assigned of record to NGK Insulators, Ltd. at Reel 012187, Frame(s) 0150-0152 (recorded September 19, 2001).

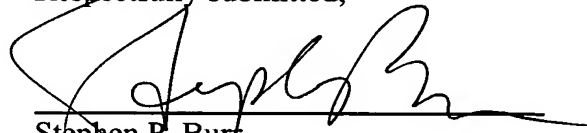
## 7. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

|   |              |              |            |           |
|---|--------------|--------------|------------|-----------|
| <b>Basic Filing fee</b> (37 CFR §1.16(a))   |              |              |            | \$ 750.00 |
| CLAIMS  | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE       |           |
| Total Claims  | 18 - 20 =    | 0            | × \$ 18.00 |           |
| Independent Claims  | 4 - 3 =      | 1            | × \$ 84.00 | \$ 84.00  |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)   |              |              | + \$280.00 |           |
| <b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>  |              |              |            | \$ 834.00 |
| [ ] Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2. |              |              |            |           |
| <b>TOTAL FEES DUE =</b>   |              |              |            | \$ 834.00 |

## 8. Payment of Fees and Authorization to Charge Additional Fees or Credit Overpayment

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$834.00 is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1446. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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